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Applicant : Kenneth W. Baun, et al.
Filed : Herewith
Title : FULLY AUTOMATED TELESCOPE SYSTEM WITH
DISTRIBUTED INTELLIGENCE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Commissioner:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Specification:

The "Priority Claim" section should read as follows:

a' -- This application is a division of patent application No.09/428,865, filed October 26, 1999, entitled "FULLY AUTOMATED TELESCOPE SYSTEM WITH DISTRIBUTED INTELLIGENCE" which takes priority from provisional patent Applications Serial Nos. 60/105,626, filed October 26, 1998 entitled "FULLY AUTOMATED TELESCOPE SYSTEM WITH DISTRIBUTED INTELLIGENCE" and 60/143,637, filed July 14, 1999, entitled "SELF ORIENTING, SELF ALIGNING, INTUITIVE AUTOMATED TELESCOPE", the entire contents of which are expressly incorporated herein by reference.